

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate met in a Joint Session to receive a State of the Union Address from the President of the United States.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S263–S271

Measures Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2958–2959. **Page S271**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report on the State of the Union delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on January 27, 2010; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM–42) **Pages S263–68**

Messages from the House: **Page S268**

Enrolled Bills Presented: **Page S268**

Executive Communications: **Pages S268–71**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S271**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 8:20 p.m. and adjourned at 10:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2010.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CYBER SECURITY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing to examine cyber security from General James E. Cartwright, USMC, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and James N. Miller, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, both of the Department of Defense.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENERGY COSTS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine cutting the Federal government's energy bill, focusing on an examination of the sustainable Federal government executive order, after receiving testimony from Nancy H. Sutley, Chair, Council on Environmental Quality; Richard Kidd, Program Manager, Federal Energy Management Program, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; Dorothy Robyn, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment; and Samuel M. Pulcrano, Vice President, Sustainability, United States Postal Service.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 4526–4551; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 73; H. Con. Res. 223; and H. Res. 1041–1048 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 978, requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives all documents in the possession of the President relating to the inventory and review of intelligence related to the shooting at Fort Hood, Texas, described by the President in a memorandum dated November 10, 2009; adversely (H. Rept. 111–402);

H. Res. 980, a resolution of inquiry directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to transmit to the House of Representatives a copy of the Transportation Security Administration's Aviation Security Screening Management Standard Operating Procedures manual in effect on December 5, 2009, and any subsequent revisions of such manual in effect prior to the adoption of this resolution; adversely (H. Rept. 111–403);

H. Res. 994, directing the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives all information in the Attorney General's possession relating to the decision to dismiss *United States v. New Black Panther Party*; adversely (H. Rept. 111–404);

H.R. 4061, to advance cybersecurity research, development, and technical standards, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–405); and

H.R. 1387, to amend title 44, United States Code, to require preservation of certain electronic records by Federal agencies and to require a certification and reports relating to Presidential records, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–406). **Page H421**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rabbi Gil Steinlauf, Congregation Adas Israel. **Page H389**

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, January 26th:

Expressing support for designation of January as Poverty in America Awareness Month: H. Res. 1024, to express support for designation of January as Poverty in America Awareness Month, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 387 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 21. **Page H400**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Providing for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958: H.R. 4508, to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 24 and **Pages H400–01, H411–12**

Honoring the 95th anniversary of the signing of the Rocky Mountain National Park Act: H. Res. 1020, to honor the 95th anniversary of the signing of the Rocky Mountain National Park Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 408 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 25. **Pages H401–03, H412**

Idaho Wilderness Water Facilities Act: The House passed H.R. 4474, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 415 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 22. **Pages H403–05, H410–11**

H. Res. 1038, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3726 and H.R. 4474) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 234 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 20, after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Pages H393–99**

Castle Nugent National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 3726, to establish the Castle Nugent National Historic Site at St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 240 yeas to 175 nays, Roll No. 23. **Pages H393–H400, H405–10, H411**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H393–94**

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Friday, January 29th, and further, that when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2nd for morning hour debate. **Page H414**

Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development for a term of six years: Mr. Childers of Mississippi.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:34 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

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State of the Union Address: President Barack H. Obama delivered his State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 228. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Hoyer, Clyburn, Larson (CT), Becerra, Van Hollen, George Miller (CA), DeLauro, Dingell, Boehner, Cantor, Pence, McCotter, McMorris Rodgers, Carter, Sessions, and McCarthy (CA) and Senators Reid, Durbin, Schumer, Murray, Menendez, Dorgan, Stabenow, McConnell, Kyl, Alexander, Murkowski, Thune, and Cornyn. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–80).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H399–400, H400, H410, H411, H411–12, H412. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AL QA'IDA IN 2010

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on AL Qa'ida in 2010: How Should the U.S. Respond? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CBO'S BUDGET AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Budget and Economic Outlook. Testimony was heard from Douglas Elmendorf, Director, CBO.

ADMINISTRATION'S HEALTH CARE REFORM DOCUMENTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported without recommendation H. Res. 983, Requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of documents, records, and communications in their possession relating to certain agreements regarding health care reform.

BEREAVED CONSUMER'S BILL OF RIGHTS ACT OF 2010

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 3655, Bereaved Consumer's Bill of Rights Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Chuck Harwood, Deputy Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; and public witnesses.

STATE OF GLOBAL MICROFINANCE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, held a hearing entitled "The State of Global Microfinance: How Public and Private Funds Can Effectively Promote Financial Inclusion for All." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FLIGHT 253—BOMBING ATTEMPTS LESSONS

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Flight 253: Learning Lessons from an Averted Tragedy." Testimony was heard from Jane Holl Lute, Deputy Secretary, Department of Homeland Security; Patrick F. Kennedy, Under Secretary, Management, Department of State; and Michael E. Leiter, Director, National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

COMMITTEE FUNDING REVIEW

Committee on House Administration: Held a hearing on Review of the Use of Committee Funds in the First Session of the 111th Congress. Testimony was heard from the following Committees, Chairman and Ranking Members: Chairwoman Zoe Lofgren of California and Jo Bonner, Ranking Member, Committee on Standards of Official Conduct; Chairman Silvestre Reyes, Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; Chairman Charles B. Rangel and Dave Camp, Ranking Member, Committee on Ways and Means; Chairman Henry A. Waxman and Joe Barton of Texas, Ranking Member, Committee on Energy and Commerce; Chairman Collin C. Peterson and Frank D. Lucas, Ranking Member, Committee on Agriculture; Chairman Bob Filner and Steve Buyer, Ranking Member, Committee on Veterans Affairs; Chairman Howard L. Berman and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Ranking Member, Committee on Foreign Affairs; Chairman James L. Oberstar and John L. Mica, Ranking Member, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; Chairman Edward J. Markey and F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., Ranking Member, Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming; Chairman Bart Gordon of Tennessee and Ralph M. Hall of Texas, Ranking Member, Committee on Science and Technology; Chairman Bennie G. Thompson of Mississippi and Pete Olson of Texas, Ranking Member, Committee on

Homeland Security; Chairman George Miller of California and John Kline of Minnesota, Ranking Member, Committee on Education and Labor; Chairman John M. Spratt, Jr., Committee on the Budget; Chairman Ike Skelton and Howard P. McKeon, Ranking Member, Committee on Armed Services; and Chairwoman Nydia M. Velázquez and Sam Graves, Ranking Member, Committee on Small Business.

Hearings continue February 3.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 569, as amended, Equal Justice for Our Military Act of 2009; H.R. 3695, as amended, Billy's Law; H. Res. 1031, Impeaching G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, for high crimes and misdemeanors; and H.R. 4506, Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2010.

GREAT APE CONSERVATION REAUTHORIZATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 4416, Great Ape Conservation Reauthorization Amendments Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Jane Lyder, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; FEDERAL BAILOUT OF AIG

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Res. 267, Recognizing the cultural and historical significance of Nowruz, expressing appreciation to Iranian-Americans for their contributions to society, and wishing Iranian-Americans and the people of Iran a prosperous new year; H. Res. 957, Honoring Jimmie Johnson, 2009 NASCAR Sprint Cup Champion; H. Res. 1014, Recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of North American Inclusion Month; H.R. 4238, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 930 39th Avenue in Greeley, Colorado, as the "W.D. Farr Post Office Building;" H.R. 4425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2-116th Street in North Troy, New York, as the "Martin G. 'Marty' Mahar Post Office;" and H.R. 4495, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 North Taylor Lane in Patagonia, Arizona, as the "Jim Kolbe Post Office."

The Committee also held a hearing entitled "The Federal Bailout of AIG." Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury; Thomas C. Baxter, General Counsel, Federal Reserve

Bank of New York; Neil M. Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program; Henry N. Paulson, Jr., former Secretary of the Treasury; and Stephen Friedman, former Chairman, Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and a public witness.

U.S. ENERGY INNOVATION SYSTEM

Committee on Science and Technology: Held a hearing on the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E): Assessing the Agency's Progress and Promise in Transforming the U.S. Energy Innovation System. Testimony was heard from Arun Majumdar, Director, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported, as amended, the following measures: H.R. 3562, To designate the Federal building under construction at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building;" H. Res. 197, To commend the American Sail Training Association for its advancement of character building under sail and for its advancement of international goodwill; H. Res. 917, Recognizing the Florida Keys Highway on the occasion of its designation as an All American Road by the U.S. Department of Transportation; and H. Res. 995, Of Inquiry requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives all information in the possession of the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency relating to nutrient management of the Illinois River Watershed, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

NTSB REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Reauthorization of the National Transportation Safety Board. Testimony was heard from Deborah A.P. Hersman, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and Gerald Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO.

BRIEFING—FORT HOOD

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Fort Hood. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—PERU

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met in executive session to receive a briefing on Peru. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Commerce's Broadband Technology Opportunities Program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the budget and economic outlook, focusing on fiscal years 2011-2020, 9 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: with the Subcommittee on Green Jobs and the New Economy, to hold joint hearings to examine solar energy technology and clean energy jobs, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Haiti, focusing on rescue, recovery and reconstruction, 9 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ian Hoddy Solomon, of Maryland, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Walter Crawford Jones, of Maryland, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank, Douglas A. Rediker, of Massachusetts, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, and Leocadia Irine Zak, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lillian A. Sparks, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine unemployment on Indian reservations at 50%, focusing on the need to create jobs in Indian Country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2924, to reauthorize the Boys & Girls Clubs of America, in the wake of its Centennial, and its programs and activities, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means

testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 1554, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to prevent later delinquency and improve the health and well-being of maltreated infants and toddlers through the development of local Court Teams for Maltreated Infants and Toddlers and the creation of a National Court Teams Resource Center to assist such Court Teams, S. 1789, to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing, H.R. 1741, to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to eligible State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain certain protection and witness assistance programs, S. 1749, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the possession or use of cell phones and similar wireless devices by Federal prisoners, and the nominations of James A. Wynn, Jr., of North Carolina, and Albert Diaz, of North Carolina, both to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, and Willie Lee Richardson, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Georgia, André Birotte, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Central District of California, Richard S. Hartunian, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, Ronald C. Machen, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, Mary L. Smith, of Illinois, and Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, of Indiana, all to be an Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1237, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the grant program for homeless veterans with special needs to include male homeless veterans with minor dependents and to establish a grant program for reintegration of homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children, an original bill entitled Examination of Exposures to Environmental Hazards During Military Service and Health Care for Camp Lejeune and Atsugi Naval Air Facility Veterans and Their Families Act, and the nomination of Raul Perea-Henze, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Policy and Planning, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, January 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of H.J. Res. 45, increasing the statutory limit on the public debt, and after a period of debate, vote on or in relation to Brownback No. 3309 (to Amendment No. 3299), Sessions Amendment No. 3308 (to Amendment No. 3299), Reid Amendment No. 3305 (to Amendment No. 3299), Baucus (for Reid) Amendment No. 3299, and passage of the resolution; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 12 noon.

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